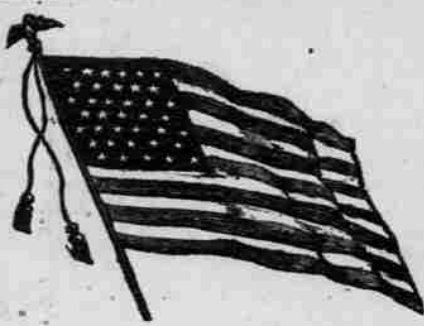


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DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

For County Treasurer,
HENRY J. KLEIN.
For Sheriff,
D. C. LUSE.
For County Clerk,
FRED M. LUTSCHG.
For Register of Deeds,
ELMER S. BRODIE.
For Coroner,
DR. G. L. KOCH.
For Commissioner 1st District,
MATT DICK.

Democratic Convention.

The Democrats of Barton county met in delegate convention at Hoisington on Saturday, July 22d, pursuant to call. James W. Clarke, chairman of the county central committee, called the convention to order and read the official call at 11 a. m.

Upon motion, Judge L. C. Breeden was made temporary chairman, and Joe F. Dunn temporary secretary. The following committees were appointed:

On Permanent Organization—Joe Sprinker, Fred Witte Jr., W. H. Varah.
On Credentials—Ed F. Winterburg, P. B. Kimpler, and Calvin Reeder.

On Order of Business—James W. Clarke, A. H. Baker, Peter Brack.

On Resolutions—Will E. Stoke, B. J. Kelly and Wm. F. Schiller.

Upon motion the convention then adjourned to 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON.

Called to order. Committee on Order of Business reported:

1st, report of Com. on Credentials, 2d, report of Com. on Permanent Organization.

3d, report of Com. on Resolutions, 4th, nomination of a candidate for Treasurer.

5th, Nomination of a candidate for Sheriff.

6th, election of chairman and secretary of county central committee.

7th, election by townships of a member of county central committee for each voting precinct.

8th, appointment of a committee of three to wait upon the populist convention and notify that convention of the nominations made.

9th, nomination, by the delegates of the first commissioner district, of a candidate for commissioner.

10th, nomination of candidates for register of deeds, county clerk, coroner and surveyor.

This order of business was adopted.

Com. on Permanent Organization recommended Judge L. C. Breeden for permanent chairman and Will E. Stoke for permanent secretary. Report was adopted, and Joe F. Dunn elected assistant secretary.

Committee on Credentials reported 121 accredited delegates present, with no contests. No credentials from Pawnee Rock, Union, or Cleveland townships. Report accepted and adopted, and on motion, democrats present from those townships not reported were empowered to represent said townships; also, each delegation to cast the full vote of their townships.

Committee on resolutions reported the following:

RESOLUTIONS:

Be it resolved, by the democrats of Barton county, in convention assembled, that we once more pledge our allegiance to the true principles of democracy as long ago taught and practiced by Jefferson and Jackson, and as so plainly enunciated and ably defended in the Chicago platform of 1896, and by our honorable candidate for President, William J. Bryan.

Resolved, that we deplore the tendency towards centralization of power in national affairs through the combination of capital, and the debasing of politics through the use of money; and we condemn the republican party for pretending to oppose trusts, combines and corruption while that party is fostering the same.

Resolved, that we rejoice, as do all other loyal American citizens, in the success of American arms on the field of battle, and we congratulate the country on the quick closing of the Spanish-American war; and we insist that when that contest for humanity and freedom was settled there should not have been started a war of conquest, of expansion, against the principles of the Declaration of Independence.

Resolved, that we heartily pledge our support to the candidates today nominated by the united democracy of Barton county, and we ask for them the hearty support of all voters opposed to the un-American policy of the single gold standard of currency, the promotion of trusts, militarism and expansion.

Upon motion these resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion all candidates were to be brought out by informal ballot.

NOMINATIONS.

An informal ballot for county treasurer resulted: Henry J. Klein 116, Henry Wildgen 10, J. S. Winget 4.

On motion the informal ballot was declared formal, the rules suspended, and Henry J. Klein nominated for county treasurer by acclamation.

Informal ballot for sheriff: D. C. Luse 91, Jake Gustin 38.

Formal ballot: Luse 104, Gustin 27. Luse declared the nominee, and upon motion the nomination was made unanimous.

James W. Clarke was elected chairman of the county central committee for the ensuing year, and C. L. Zuta-vern secretary. The following township committeemen were then reported by the various township delegations:

Township.	Committeemen.
Albion	John Lindsay
Beaver	Peter Meyer
Buffalo	B. J. Kelly
Cleveland	Wm. Gogelman
Cheyenne	Wm. F. Schiller
Eureka	Jake Thul
Fairview	G. Speck
Grant	Chas. Zoch
Great Bend	D. C. Giesman
Homestead	Dr. G. L. Koch
Independent	John Weltner
Lakin	J. F. Dunn
Logan	John Helfrich
Liberty	W. J. Murphy
Pawnee Rock	O. R. Wilson
South Bend	A. B. Willcutt
Union	Grant Jones
Walnut	John Hogue
Washington	John Hogue
City of Great Bend—1st ward	Volney Kicketts
2d, Will E. Stoke	3d, Ed F. Winterburg
4th, Geo. W. Greene, Jr.	

On motion a recess of 15 minutes was taken, to allow the delegates of the 1st commissioner district to nominate their candidate for commissioner.

Joe Sprinker was made chairman and D. C. Johnson secretary of the district convention. Upon motion Matt Dick was nominated without a dissenting vote as their unanimous choice for commissioner, and the first district convention adjourned.

County convention again called to order by Chairman Breeden, and Joe Sprinker, J. S. Winget and John Helfrich were appointed a committee to wait upon the populist convention and notify that convention of the nominations made.

A committee from the populist convention appeared and stated that their convention desired the democrats to also nominate a candidate for coroner.

On motion the rules were suspended, and Dr. G. L. Koch nominated by acclamation for coroner, and the other convention so notified.

A committee from the other convention then notified the democratic convention of their nominations for county clerk and register of deeds; also, that the democratic nominees had been likewise nominated by the populists.

Upon motion the rules were suspended and Elmer S. Brodie was nominated by acclamation as the democratic candidate for register of deeds.

Upon motion the rules were suspended and Fred M. Lutschg was nominated by acclamation as the democratic candidate for county clerk.

On motion the central committee was empowered to place on the ticket a candidate for county surveyor, and the convention then, upon motion, adjourned.

Peoples Party Convention.

The Peoples party county convention met in Hoisington on Saturday July 22, and was called to order at 11 a. m. by the county chairman John W. McCauley. The call was read by the county secretary E. S. Brodie.

D. T. Armstrong was chosen temporary chairman, and Randall Livesay temporary secretary.

The usual committees were appointed. The committee on credentials was Henry Langfield, W. A. Brodie, and John Everett.

On order of business, Ed Tyler, Wm. Marquis, and E. C. Davis.

On permanent Organization, A. M. Sipes, Joseph Brown, and S. S. Shattuck.

On Resolutions, O. A. Smith, H. A. Fruit, and C. H. Childs.

After a few general remarks the convention adjourned till 2:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2:30 p. m. the convention was called to order and the report of committee on credentials called for. The report seated 84 delegates, which with a few slight amendments was adopted.

The committee on permanent organization presented the names of the temporary organization for the permanent officers, with the addition of C. F. Younk as assistant secretary. The report was adopted.

The committee on order of business reported the following: After seating the delegates and completing the per-

manent organization the committee on resolutions shall report, and the resolutions be considered.

Appointment of a conference committee.

The nomination of candidates in the following order. County Clerk; Register of Deeds; Surveyor, Treasurer, Sheriff, and Commissioner of 1st district. The report was adopted.

The committee on resolutions offered the following which was unanimously adopted.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That we, the Peoples party, in convention assembled in Hoisington, July 22 1899, do hereby reaffirm our allegiance to the principles set forth by the party's National platform as adopted at St. Louis.

That we express our appreciation for the wise and economic administration of John W. Leedy, and fully endorse the work of the Populist legislature both in its regular and special session. Be it

Resolved, That we, fully endorse and appreciate the well rendered and efficient service of such officers as John Bridenthal, Web McCall, W. W. Culver, Wm. Stryker and Boyle.

Resolved, That we favor the free and unlimited coinage of both gold and silver at the rate of 16 to 1 and that all currency be issued by the general government direct to the people without the intervention of National banks.

Resolved, That the Republican party be severely criticized and condemned for allowing the unbridled and free formation of trusts and combines now rampant, in our country and that it is as much the policy of the Peoples party to oppose trust and combines in the future, as it has done in the past.

Resolved, That the policy of the present governor of this state, in removing the instructors of the State Agricultural College is greatly condemned and against the best interest of the students of that institution and a detriment to the best interest of the college, and that the Republican party is responsible for the dissatisfaction now existing there.

Resolved, That we favor the complete independence of the Cuban people as soon as they are capable of self government.

Resolved, That it is the duty of every citizen of the U. S. to uphold and defend our national flag, the stars and stripes, wherever they may wave, and to protect and support our soldiers and sailors wherever they may be in the discharge of duty.

The conference committee was appointed as follows: John Brodie, William Hood and J. E. McQuillin.

The convention proceeded to the nomination of candidates for the various county officers.

It was ordered that the candidates be brought before the convention by an informal ballot, and that on roll call of precincts the chairman of each delegation announce the vote.

Ed Howard, of Eureka was called to the table to assist the secretaries in tallying the vote.

The first ballot for county clerk brought out Randall Livesay 21 votes, J. W. Soderstrom 15, Ed Howard 13, Wm. Honnen 6, O. Aspy 8, W. P. Feder 4.

The second ballot gave Livesay 27, Howard 19, Soderstrom 10, Hornmen 7, Aspy 6, F. M. Lutschg 2.

Third ballot: Livesay 25, Howard 18, Honnen 11, Soderstrom 8, Aspy 6, Lutschg 3.

At this point in the proceedings it was ordered that the candidates be asked to come before the audience and state their positions on the issues of the day. They came forward and each made a pleasing talk, which demonstrated that the convention would get a well qualified candidate in the selection of any one of them.

The fourth ballot was then taken with the following result: Livesay 24, Lutschg 23, Howard 19, Honnen 17, Soderstrom 5, Aspy 1. Soderstrom withdrew his name.

Fifth ballot, Livesay 20, Lutschg 27, Honnen 18, Howard 13.

Sixth ballot: Lutschg 32, Livesay 22, Honnen 17, Howard 13. Howard then withdrew.

Seventh ballot: Lutschg 44, Livesay 24, Honnen 14.

F. M. Lutschg having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared the nominee.

Mr. Lutschg was called to the floor and he made a winning talk, which showed that he is a profound thinker and a steady and deliberate student.

E. S. Brodie was nominated by acclamation for Register of Deeds.

It was ordered that the place of county surveyor be left blank and the central committee was empowered to fill the vacancy.

The democrat conference committee reported the nomination of H. J. Klein for Treasurer; D. C. Luse Sheriff, and G. L. Koch, for coroner, which nominations were ratified by the convention.

The convention then elected O. A. Smith as chairman of the county central committee, and C. F. Younk as

secretary. D. T. Armstrong was elected assistant chairman.

Convention adjourned.

The delegates of the first commissioner district endorsed the nomination of Mat Dick for commissioner.

HOISINGTON IS GROWING.

Our neighboring town on the north is showing much substantial improvement. Not having visited the place for several months, we were very agreeably surprised on Saturday last to see the new buildings going up; new additions, new windmills, fences, roofs etc. all over the city.

The Weber building, occupied by the Arlington Hotel and Morrison & Luse, has had a large, 2-story stone addition built to it.

Across the street to the north is being erected another stone business house, by Pat O'Donnell. This is also two stories, the walls almost up, but but work delayed for lack of lumber.

Opposite the Arlington block, on the east, another 2-story stone building is rapidly going up. This is being erected by J. W. Foulk, now of Utica, but who will shortly move to Hoisington.

Henry Wildgen, the lumber, coal and grain man, has recently added large sheds to his lumber yard; he will soon move into the Young residence, which he recently purchased.

In the residence part of the city we saw, during an early morning stroll, many substantial improvements upon every hand. Ed Boxwell, the butcher, has stone on the ground and the foundation started for a handsome stone residence. By-the-way there "are no flies on" Boxwell—especially after Dock Brown supplies him with a liberal dose of that wonderful fly emetic.

We did not have time to see near all the old acquaintances in the town, but those whom we did call upon we found busy, and therefore happy.

Everything about Hoisington indicates the push and enterprise of its wide awake citizens, and the DEMOCRAT is exceedingly glad to note its many evidences of business prosperity.

The way to elect the ticket nominated last Saturday, is for every friend of the candidates to go right to work for it now, and keep it up until the polls close in November.

Our republican friends are not just now going wild over the wonderful price of wheat. A short crop and 40 cents a bushel is not conducive to republican political buncomb.

GENERAL OTIS telegraphs that he "can organize two skeleton regiments" in the Philippines. What he intended to say doubtless was that he "could organize two regiments of skeletons."

IN A LETTER to friends, an officer of the 20th Kansas makes the statement that "We have probably driven over one million people from their homes" Now that's a record we ought to be proud of.—Garden City Sentinel.

The democratic convention last Saturday was the largest and most harmonious county convention held in Barton county for many a year.

The delegates were earnest in their intention to select good men, and we believe a large majority of the voters of Barton county will go to the polls on election day and register their indorsement of the candidates chosen.

It is reported of General Funston that he is not in favor of expansion; says the Philippine islands are not worth what it will cost to put them under American control, and never will be. Funston has at no time denied having made these statements, and as a consequence, all the Administration, or cuckoo, papers in Kansas have ceased lauding General Funston. It is political death, so far as the republican party is concerned, for any of the boys in the Philippines to say what they honestly think about the republican policy in regard to those islands.

Every wife wants to please her husband—or ought to have that desire. Try serving him with our Dutch Java brand of coffee—it is one of the finest package coffees out.

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Frank Sherwood, who has made his home here for a year or more, this week packed up his goods and removed to Iowa. He hopes by the change to improve Mrs. Sherwood's health.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Dutch Java Coffee. Try it.

See Diffenbacher for honest tailoring. New wheat is not coming in with a rush.

The foundation is completed for the new Hulme Mill.

"Actions speak louder than words"—to a deaf and dumb man.

Man once ate the cream; now-a-days they creamate the man.

Go to Diff. the tailor for a nice fitting and well made suit or trousers.

Have you tried Dutch Java Package Coffee? See Woodward & Russell, the Grocers.

WANTED—Girl for general housework in small family. Inquire at DEMOCRAT office.

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The new Farmer's Mill now looks like a mill, being enclosed and ready for the internal works.

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GREAT BEND IMPLEMENT CO.

A. L. and Jake Gustin were in the city, from near Galatia, a couple of days the first of the week.

The delinquent tax list, for taxes of 1898 that remain unpaid, will appear in the DEMOCRAT next week.

Try Dutch Java Coffee. It will recommend itself after first trial. For sale by Woodward & Russell.

Go to Seward & Barnett, the First National Barber Shop, for a cool shave beneath the breezes of an electric fan.

I. M. Martin opened his new meat market, in the room vacated by Jim Savage, last Saturday. See his advertisement elsewhere in this paper.

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WOODWARD & RUSSELL.

J. B. Trester, of Eureka township, called Monday to square himself for another year, and to tell us he helped to name the next new county officers last Saturday.

Everybody wants to make arrangements to see the ball games on Aug. 7th and 8th. That is, everybody who likes the sport and can appreciate good base ball.

Lost—On Sunday, July 23d, between the Presbyterian church and Hotel Greene, a pair of Gold Spectacles, in black leather case. Finder will please leave with Wm. Torrey.

Two young fellows from Stafford county got gay with a farmer just south of the river, Friday evening last, and paid a dollar and costs for their fun, in the justices court.

Robert Flack, the old gentleman who has been lying very ill for many months at his home in the south part of town, died on Saturday morning, and was buried Sunday at 2 p. m.

Jack Morrison and family left on Tuesday of this week for Des Moines, Iowa, where the Morrison Bros. have some building contracts: C. G. and family will probably leave next week for Iowa.

The Walnut Creek Mills are being rapidly restored to order out of chaos. If they are not the finest flouring mills in Kansas, when completed, it will not be the fault of Nick Smith and Charley Brinkman.

W. J. Klein and J. C. McCracken, of Ellinwood, passed through the city Monday on their way down from Rosh and Ness counties where they had bought a fine bunch of horses and mules for shipment.

I have opened a repair shop, for repairing, varnishing and upholstering furniture, and do all kinds of cabinet work. Call on me at shop north of square, first door east of Morgan's poultry house.

G. STROBEL.

A large audience was present at the dedication of the new, German Lutheran church in Clarence township, last Sunday; and the exercises are reported to have been very impressive.

The congregation is to be congratulated upon their fine church edifice.

I have a quarter section of land, 5 miles south and 1 1/2 miles west of Great Bend, for sale, with or without crop. The property is in the hands of any agent. Call on the place, or address me at Great Bend P. O.

C. W. CANADY.

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